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SUBJ: GUINEA-BISSAU: "THE PORTUGUESE LEFT US NOTHING"

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1. FOLLOWING CAPE VERDE INDEPENDENCE CEREMONY, STAFFDEL ROSSITER  
AND FSO BALTIMORE SPENT JULY 7-10 IN GUINEA-BISSAU. ALTHOUGH  
HEAVY RAIN AND LIMITED TRANSPORTATION CURBED INTERNAL TRAVEL,  
VISIT MADE TO SEVERAL ADMINISTRATIVE POSTS AND AN AGRICULTURAL  
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STATION 60 KMS NORTH OF BISSAU. COURTESY CALL PAID PRESIDENT

LUIS CABRAL JULY 8. SUMMARY FOLLOWS:

2. US RELATIONSHIP WITH PORTUGAL DURING LIBERATION STRUGGLE IS PAST HISTORY. STILL, EVEN DURING ANTI-COLONIALIST FIGHT PRIVATE US ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN INSTITUTE SUPPORTED PAIGC. US HAS "RESPONSIBILITY" IN G-B DEVELOPMENT YET NO AID HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND AN EMBASSY HAS NOT BEEN ESTABLISHED. (ROSSITER BROUGHT UP THE \$1 MILLION PROVIDED FOR REFUGEES AND CABRAL NOTED OVERSIGHT.) ONLY THE AMERICAN, BRAZILIAN, AND GUINEAN PEOPLE HAVE GAINED FREEDOM BY UNILATERAL DECLARATIONS OF INDEPENDENCE. G-B HOPES TO MOVE FROM SURVIVAL TO DEVELOPMENT PHASE WITHIN TWO YEARS. ALTHOUGH PRAIA'S FACILITIES FOR GUESTS WERE OVERTAXED DURING CAPE VERDE INDEPENDENCE CEREMONIES; THE SITUATION AT G-B'S ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION IN MEDINA DO BOE WAS FAR WORSE.

3. COMMENT: MUCH OF CABRAL'S COMMENTS ECHOED EARLIER CONVERSATION WITH PRESIDENT OF CAPE VERDE (SEE REFTTEL). TOUR INTO INTERIOR BEST SUMMED UP BY ACCOMPANYING FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL: "OTHER THAN MILITARY CAMPS AND ONE BEER BREWERY, THE PORTUGUESE LEFT US NOTHING."  
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